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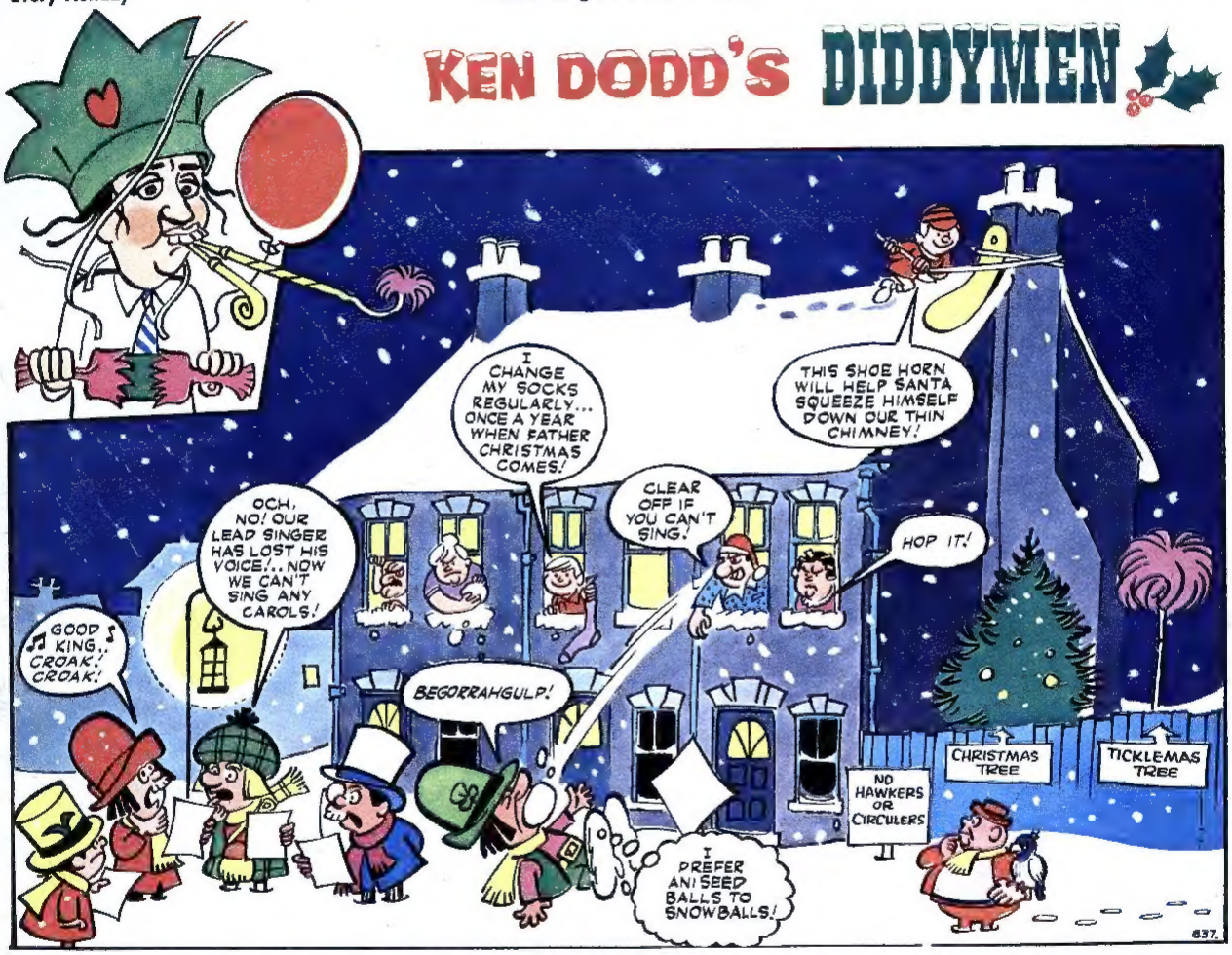
Christmas greetings to all our readers

KEN DODD'S DIDDYMEN


I CHANGE MY SOCKS REGULARLY... ONCE A YEAR WHEN FATHER CHRISTMAS COMES!
THIS SHOE HORN WILL HELP SANTA SQUEEZE HIMSELF DOWN OUR THIN CHIMNEY!
OCH, NO! OUR LEAD SINGER HAS LOST HIS VOICE!.. NOW WE CAN'T SING ANY CAROLS!
CLEAR OFF IF YOU CAN'T SING!
HOP IT!
GOOD ♪ KING.. CROAK! CROAK!
BEGORRAHGULP!
CHRISTMAS TREE
TICKLEMAS TREE
NO HAWKERS OR CIRCULERS
I PREFER ANISEED BALLS TO SNOWBALLS!
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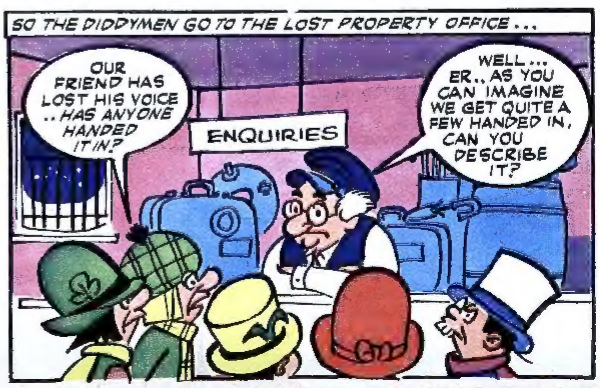
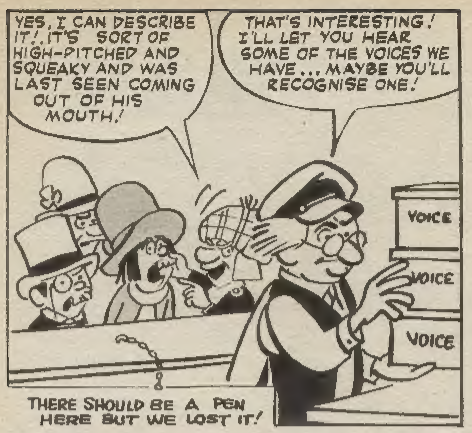
FANCY DICKY LOSING HIS VOICE..WE MUST FIND IT!
I'LL KEEP MY EYE OPEN FOR IT..WOULDN'T MIND BETTING SOME OTHER CAROL SINGERS HAVE SWIPED IT!
CROAK! CROAK!

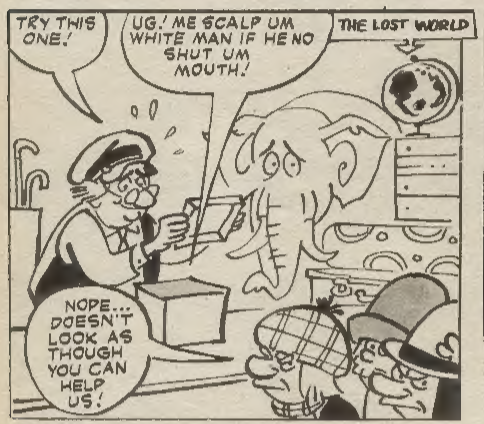

SO THE DIDDYMEN GO TO THE LOST PROPERTY OFFICE ...
OUR FRIEND HAS LOST HIS VOICE ..HAS ANYONE HANDED IT IN?
ENQUIRIES
WELL... ER.. AS YOU CAN IMAGINE WE GET QUITE A FEW HANDED IN, CAN YOU DESCRIBE IT?

Listen to page 2 for the sound of Dicky's voice!

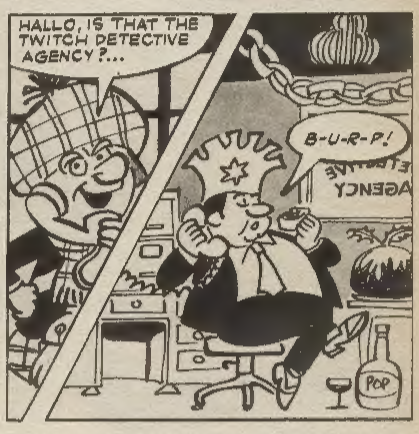

YES, I CAN DESCRIBE IT! IT'S SORT OF HIGH-PITCHED AND SQUEAKY AND WAS LAST SEEN COMING OUT OF HIS MOUTH!
THAT'S INTERESTING! I'LL LET YOU HEAR SOME OF THE VOICES WE HAVE... MAYBE YOU'LL RECOGNISE ONE!
VOICE
VOICE
VOICE
THERE SHOULD BE A PEN HERE BUT WE LOST IT!

IS THIS IT?
HELLO DER, BWANA!
NO, THAT'S CERTAINLY NOT DICKY'S VOICE!

WHAT ABOUT THIS ONE?
NO! THAT ONE SOUNDS CHINESE TO ME!


TRY THIS ONE!
UG! ME SCALP UM WHITE MAN IF HE NO SHUT UM MOUTH!
THE LOST WORLD
NOPE... DOESN'T LOOK AS THOUGH YOU CAN HELP US!

CROAK! CROAK!
ST PROPERTY OFFICE
OCH, I KNOW! WE'LL RING A PRIVATE DETECTIVE AGENCY AND GET THEM TO TRACK YOUR VOICE DOWN, DICKY!


HALLO, IS THAT THE TWITCH DETECTIVE AGENCY?...
B-U-R-P!
POP

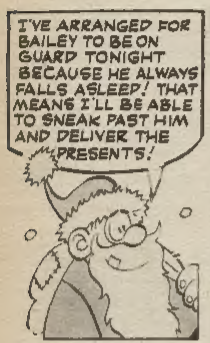
WELL REALLY! HE'S OBVIOUSLY TOO BUSY CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS TO HELP US LOOK FOR DICKY'S VOICE!

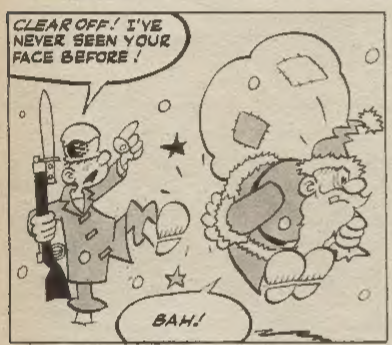
LATER...
HALLO, DODDY! HAVE YOU SEEN DICKY'S VOICE? HE'S LOST IT!
COME INSIDE! I THINK I CAN HELP YOU...
CAN'T HEAR DICKY'S VOICE ANYWHERE!

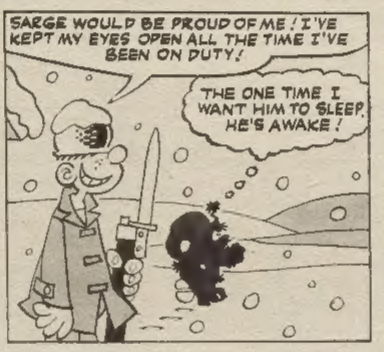
IS THIS WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR?.. I FOUND IT EARLIER TODAY!
GOOD KING DIDDYMAN LOOKED OUT, ON THE FEAST OF STEPHEN!
THAT'S IT! GOOD OLD DODDY!

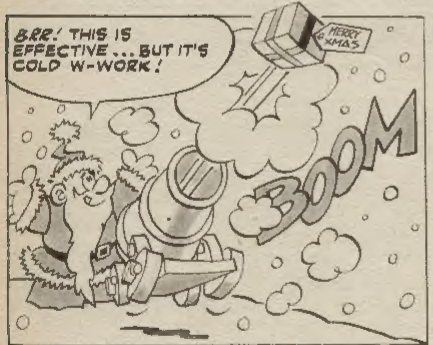
SO DODDY AND THE DIDDYMEN CELEBRATE WITH A CHRISTMAS PARTY...
WHEN THE SNOW LAY ROUND ABOUT..
THAT'S A BEAUTIFUL VOICE!
AHA! THAT'S RIGHT! EVERYONE GET A TICKLING STICK AND WE'LL ALL HAVE A MERRY TICKLEMAS!

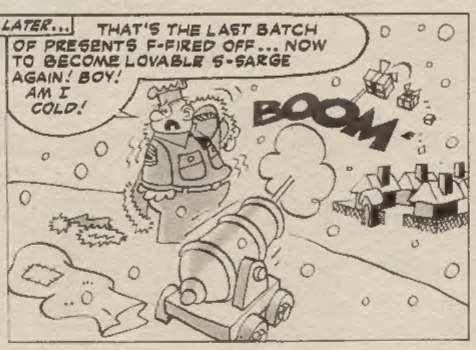
BEETLE BAILEY

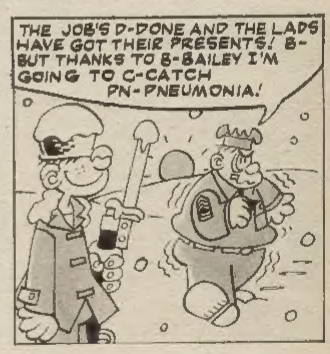

I'VE ARRANGED FOR BAILEY TO BE ON GUARD TONIGHT BECAUSE HE ALWAYS FALLS ASLEEP! THAT MEANS I'LL BE ABLE TO SNEAK PAST HIM AND DELIVER THE PRESENTS!

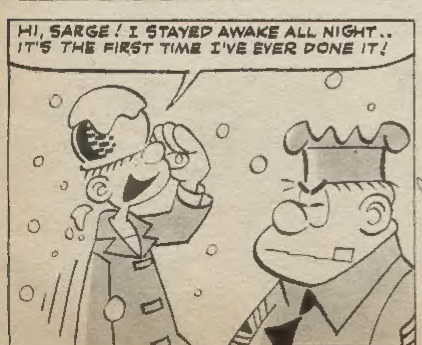












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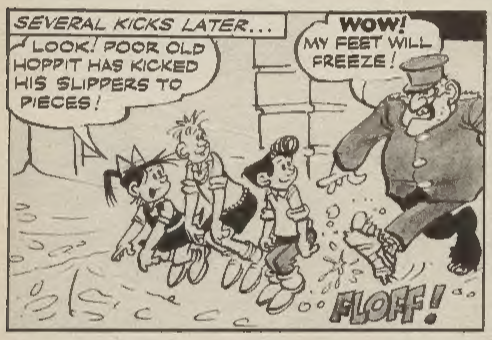
More military mirth with Sarge and Bailey next week!

TV TERRORS

SO, WHEN THE TERRORS TRY TO GET INTO THE CHRISTMAS PARTY...
NICE OF YOU TO WEAR SLIPPERS, HOPPIT! THEY DON'T HURT AS MUCH AS YOUR BOOTS.
THAT'S ALL RIGHT, TERRORS! IT IS CHRISTMAS AFTER ALL!
STARS' CHRISTMAS PARTY KEEP OUT
SQUIDGE!

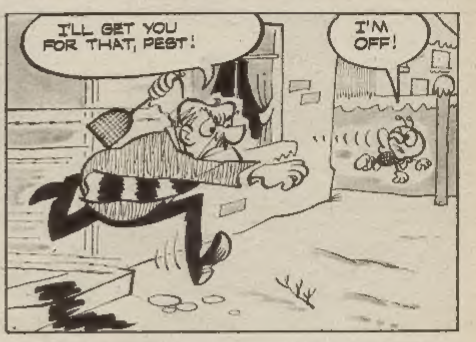
A FEW MINUTES LATER, THE TERRORS TRY AGAIN...
I'M AFRAID I CAN'T LET YOU INTO THE PARTY, TERRORS!
WE KNOW YOU HAVE YOUR DUTY TO DO, HOPPIT, BUT I'M AFRAID WE MUST DO OUR DUTY TOO AND TRY TO GET PAST YOU!
BLOP!

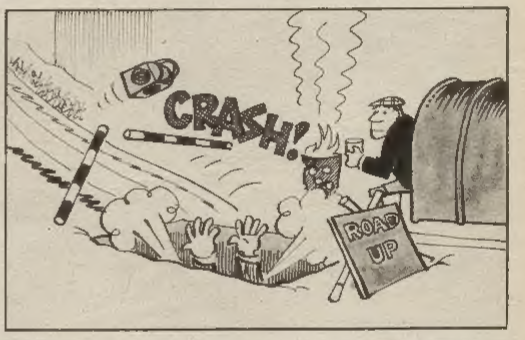


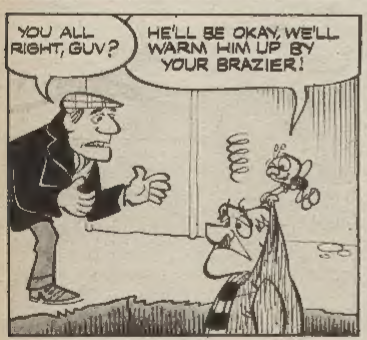
DON'T WORRY, HOPPIT! WE'VE BOUGHT YOU A PAIR OF SLIPPERS FOR CHRISTMAS... WE'LL GO AND GET THEM FROM HOME.
THANKS, TERRORS! MY FEET WILL BE VERY GRATEFUL TO YOU!

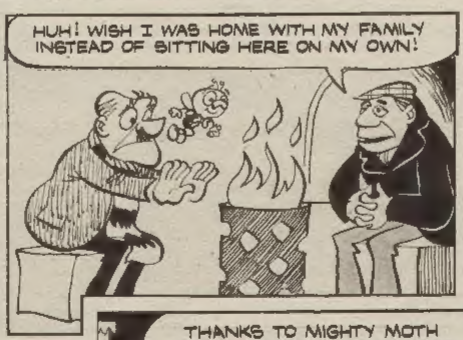
Next week Hoppit plans to go to Australia and kick cobbers!

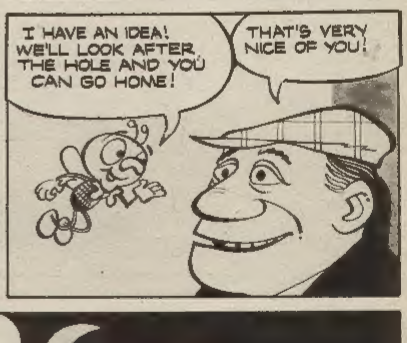
MIGHTY MOTH







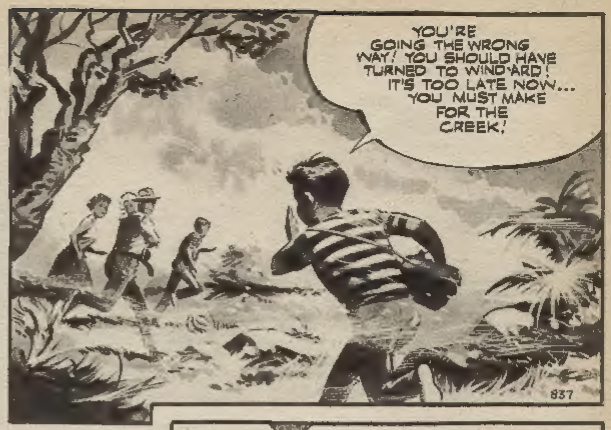




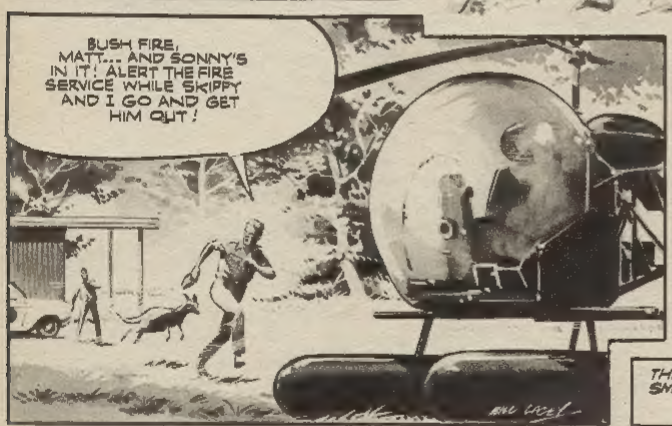
Next week's Mighty Moth tale is dynamite! Stand by for explosive laughs!

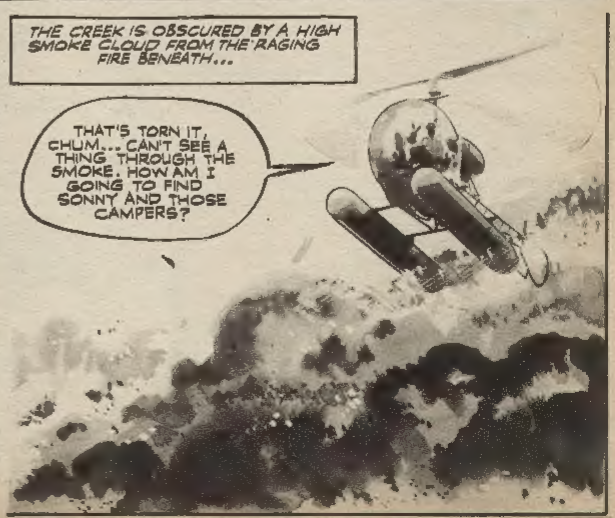
SKIPPY
the bush kangaroo

WARNED by Skippy, his kangaroo pal, Sonny races through the bush to rescue the foolish campers who have started a bush fire and are now running before it . . .



SQUEAK! SQUEAK! SQUEAK!
STONE THE CROWS! A BUSH FIRE! AND SONNY'S RIGHT IN IT WITH SOME STUPID CAMPERS, TAKING THEM TO DIAMOND CREEK!




THE CREEK IS OBSCURED BY A HIGH SMOKE CLOUD FROM THE RAGING FIRE BENEATH...
THAT'S TORN IT, CHUM... CAN'T SEE A THING THROUGH THE SMOKE. HOW AM I GOING TO FIND SONNY AND THOSE CAMPERS?

Based on the ABC Television series

Is all hope lost for Sonny and the campers? See next week!

Bob Monkhouse's MAD MOVIES

featuring

The Keystone Kops

DURING THE YEAR THE CROOKS OF KEYSTONE HAVE MADE MORE WITHDRAWALS, OR YOU COULD SAY ROBBERIES, THAN ANYONE ELSE! I THINK WE SHOULD GIVE THEM PRESENTS FOR BEING SUCH GOOD CUSTOMERS!

GREAT IDEA BOSS!

GOOD THINKING!

MANAGER KEYSTONE BANK

HE MUST BE MAD!

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SO... I'VE PUT LOTS OF MONEY PACKETS ON THE TREE! NOW I WANT YOU TO GO OUT AND TELL THE CROOKS TO COME AND GET THEIR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS!

YES, SIR!

RIGHT AWAY, SIR!

SOON THE BANK CLERKS ARE ALL OVER KEYSTONE LOOKING FOR CROOKS...

I WONDER IF YOU'D MIND COMING TO THE BANK AND RECEIVING A CHRISTMAS PRESENT?

EH!

COME AND GET SOME MONEY FROM THE BANK FOR BEING A GOOD CUSTOMER! IT'S A CHRISTMAS PRESENT FROM US!

KEYSTON STREETCAR

WHAT?

SOON THERE IS A HUGE QUEUE OF CROOKS OUTSIDE THE BANK.

BANK

OY, BUGSY! DON'T BOTHER GOING TO WORK... THE BANK MANAGER IS GIVING MONEY AS CHRISTMAS PRESENTS!

IS THAT SO? IN THAT CASE I'LL TAKE THE DAY OFF!

SO, A LITTLE LATER...

WHOOPEE!

MONEY CHRISTMAS ..I MEAN MERRY CHRISTMAS!

WHAT'S GOING ON? THE CROOKS ARE LOADED WITH MONEY... THEY MUST'VE ROBBED A BANK?

IF ALL BANKS GAVE THEIR MONEY AWAY, NOBODY WOULD GET ROBBED!

WHERE DID YOU GET ALL THAT MONEY?...

HE! HE! YOU'LL NEVER BELIEVE THIS, CHIEFY.. BUT THE BANK MANAGER GAVE IT TO US!

THE CROOK IS RIGHT, BUT CHIEFY DOESN'T BELIEVE IT...

THE BANK MANAGER GAVE IT TO THEM.. THAT'S A GOOD ONE! HA! HA! YOU'RE ALL UNDER ARREST!

MINUTES LATER AT THE BANK...

MANAGER KEYSTONE BANK

PUFF! NURG! COME QUICKLY, MANAGER! THE KOPS HAVE ARRESTED ALL THE CROOKS! CHIEFY THINKS THEY STOLE THE MONEY YOU GAVE THEM!

I'D BETTER GET DOWN TO THE STATION!

SO.... YOU'LL HAVE TO RELEASE THE CROOKS, CHIEFY, THEY DIDN'T STEAL THAT MONEY. I GAVE IT TO THEM!

YOU DID WHAT?

OUT YOU COME... YOU'RE ALL FREE!

CHEER UP, CHIEFY! BRING YOUR KOPS ALONG TO THE BANK'S CHRISTMAS PARTY TONIGHT.. THE CROOKS ARE COMING AS WELL!

SO THE KOPS AND THE CROOKS CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS TOGETHER...

THESE CIGARS ARE GOOD, SCARFACE!

THEY SHOULD BE I STOLE 'EM FROM THE BEST SHOP IN TOWN!

MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYBODY!

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Knext week the Kops find themselves up the kreek thanks to the Krooks!

THE Tardis whirls through time and space, carrying Dr. Who and his companions John and Gillian to another unknown destination. Meanwhile, in the dark skies above the planet Vargo

THE ANNUAL REUNION HAS BEGUN! WITCHES FROM ALL OVER THE UNIVERSE WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE!

LET US HOPE THE DEVILRY REACHES A HIGH PITCH OF EXCITEMENT! HEH! HEH!

WE'RE IN TIME! THE GRAND WITCH IS MOUNTING THE PLATFORM NOW!

WHAT NEW SPELLS WILL SHE SPRING UPON US, I WONDER?

QUIET! WE MUST LISTEN CAREFULLY TO THE GRAND WITCH'S WORDS OF WISDOM!

SINCE LAST WE MET OUR FORCES HAVE SPREAD DEEPER INTO THE UNIVERSE BRINGING TERROR TO MORE AND MORE PEOPLE... THIS IS DUE TO MY LEADERSHIP AND I SHALL NOW DEMONSTRATE MY RIGHT TO BE YOUR LEADER!

YES! SHOW US YOUR POWER, GRAND WITCH!

OH, STRONG AND STURDY TREE..., TO GRANITE I WILL TURN THEE!

I HAVE PROVED MYSELF A WORTHY LEADER!

HER POWER IS SUPREME!

PRAISE THE GRAND WITCH!

THEN, SUDDENLY ALL EYES ARE TURNED TOWARDS AN EVEN MORE IMPRESSIVE SIGHT...

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

IS THIS MORE OF THE GRAND WITCH'S MAGIC?

THIS IS NO MAGIC OF MINE! IT MUST BE SOME SORT OF SPACE CRAFT!...

IF IT IS A SPACE CRAFT THEN THERE MUST BE OCCUPANTS!

INSIDE THE TARDIS...

DON'T GO OUT THERE, DOCTOR... THEY MAY PUT AN EVIL CURSE ON YOU!

WOW! WE'RE SURROUNDED BY WITCHES... YOU TWO HAD BETTER STAY HIDDEN INSIDE WHILE I INVESTIGATE!

WITH THE AID OF MY UTILITY BELT I SHALL CONVINCE THOSE WITCHES I AM A FAMOUS WIZARD!

TAKE CARE! THERE IS A GREAT DANGER!

GET BACK, YOU WRETCHED WOMEN, OR I, THE WIZARD OF OMEGA, WILL CAST A SPELL ON THEE!

'TIS A WIZARD!

WHERE IS YOUR COURAGE? SINCE WHEN HAVE MY WITCHES BEEN SCARED OFF BY MERE WORDS?

LISTEN! THE WITCH SPEAKS WISELY!

LET US TEST THE POWER OF THE WIZARD OF OMEGA!

NOW WE SHALL SEE WHETHER THE NEW ARRIVAL IS A WIZARD... OR NOTHING MORE THAN A HUMAN BEING!

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Dr. Who is in deadly danger . . . See the outcome next week!

PICK OF THE JOKES

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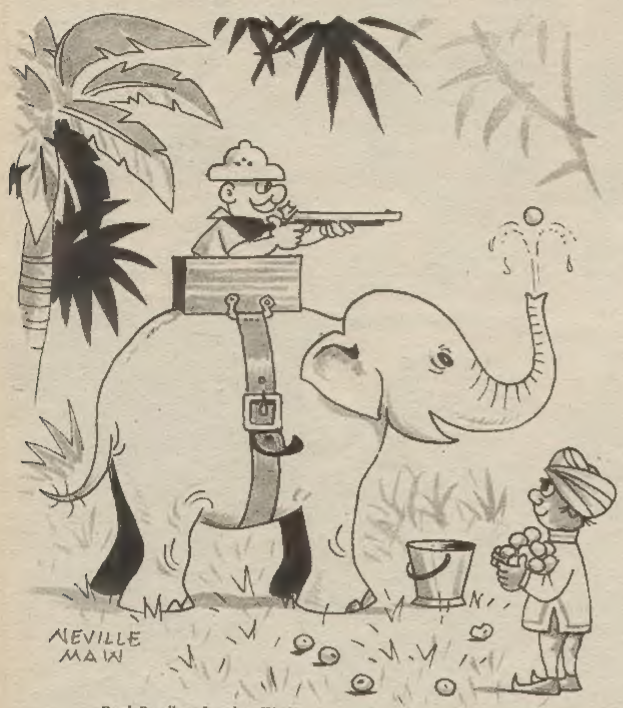

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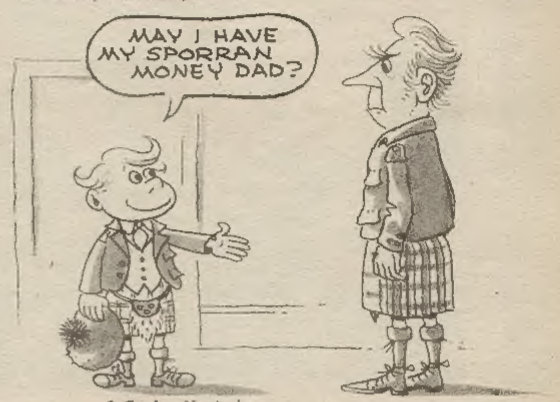

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HOW

How does the stable where Jesus was born look today?

THIS is thought to be the place where Mary gave birth to the infant Jesus. Nowadays a place of pilgrimage, it looks vastly different from that night nearly 2000 years ago. Brocade now covers its rough sandstone walls and it is lit by lamps of silver and crystal, presented by various Christian churches.

How can today become tomorrow and at the same time become yesterday?

TODAY becomes tomorrow when you cross the International Date Line—the 180th Meridian—in a westerly direction. Today becomes yesterday when this imaginary line, running through the central Pacific is crossed in an easterly direction.

It doesn't inconvenience many people because this man-made line diverts to avoid land as shown in the diagram.

How the game of 'Blind Man's Buff' originated

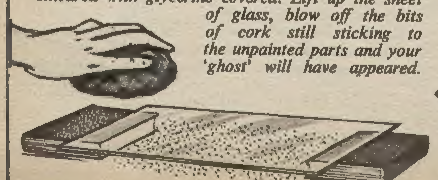
THE followers of William the Conqueror brought this game to our shores. They called it "Colin Maillard" in memory of a gallant warrior who when blinded in battle asked his squire to lead him to where the fighting was fiercest. He fought so stoutly that victory for his side was soon assured. This exploit was commemorated in dramatic form, and children learned to act it for themselves. It gradually turned into the well-known game of today.

How do you make a ghost appear?

You need two books, sheet of glass, cork, grater, woollen cloth, paintbrush and glycerine.

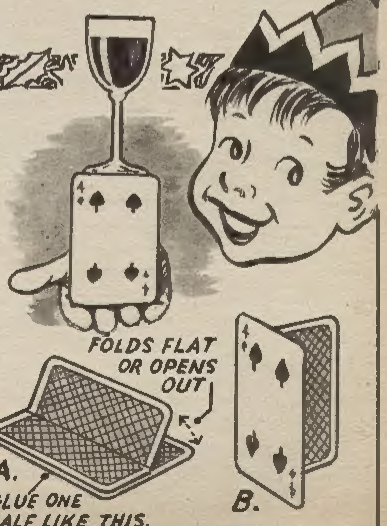
On the sheet of glass draw the outline of an animal or figure. Then using the paintbrush, fill in outline with glycerine as though a silhouette.

Now lay the glass, coated side down, over the two books (see illustration below). Between the books there must be grated or powdered cork. Rub the glass with the cloth and it will become charged with electricity and attract the cork powder. When you stop rubbing some of the cork powder falls back to the table leaving the places that have been smeared with glycerine covered. Lift up the sheet of glass, blow off the bits of cork still sticking to the unpainted parts and your 'ghost' will have appeared.



How to do this trick

YOU show your audience the front and back of what appears to be an ordinary playing card. Then placing it on the table or your hand, you balance a glass on it. The secret is shown in the two lower pictures. A strut is made by creasing another card and glueing half of it to the first one as 'A'. This when opened as in 'B' makes a strut which will easily support a glass.



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TIVVY

Tivvy created by Ateller Fauri, Finland

HAW! HAW! HAW! THESE KEYSTONE KOPS ARE FUNNY CHARACTERS! HAR! HAR! HAR!

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I'LL INVITE THEM ALONG TO A CHRISTMAS PARTY WITH ME! HE! HE! HE!

A LITTLE LATER...

I HOPE THIS LETTER ARRIVES IN TIME FOR THEM TO CATCH A PLANE AND FLY OUT HERE!

SO ON CHRISTMAS EVE, TIVVY HAS EVERYTHING READY FOR HIS PARTY...

LET'S HOPE THE KOPS MAKE IT... WE'LL HAVE A WHOOPING TIME IF THEY DO!

WHINE SCREAM WHINE

AHA! I CAN HEAR THE POLICE SIREN... THE KOPS MUST BE HEADING THIS WAY!

WHOOPEE! YOU'VE MADE IT! HI, THERE, KEYSTONE KOPS!

KEYSTONE KOPS?.. US?.. HE MUST BE A NUT!

POLICE

HA! HA! YOUR CAR DOESN'T LOOK AS FUNNY AS IT DOES IN THE COMIC STRIP...

THIS IS GOING TOO FAR! GRR!

BUT I BET IT FALLS APART JUST THE SAME! HE! HE!

HA! HA! I THOUGHT SO... THE SIGN HAS DROPPED OFF ALREADY!

OF ALL THE...!

WHY YOU...!

FOLLOW ME INSIDE, YOU KRAZY KEYSTONE KOPS... I HAVE A FEW SURPRISES FOR YOU!

NAB HIM, HE'S A DANGER TO THE PUBLIC!

WHEN THE POLICEMEN ENTER...

SPLUDGE

AWK!

CATCH THAT, KOPS! HA! HA! I KNOW YOU LOT CAN TAKE A JOKE! HE! HE!

NEVILLE MAIN

THE REAL KEYSTONE KOPS MIGHT LIKE YOUR JOKES, TIVVY! BUT WE DON'T!

WHAT A DISAPPOINTMENT... FANCY YOU NOT BEING THE REAL KOPS!

LATER...

WE MAY NOT BE THE REAL KEYSTONE KOPS... BUT WHY NOT KOP THESE GOODIES AND CELEBRATE WITH US, TIVVY?

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BOY, THANKS! IT'S GOING TO BE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AFTER ALL!

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ORLANDO

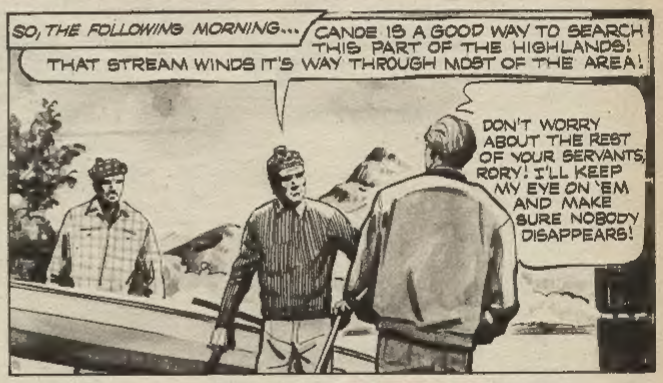
A LETTER from a Scottish friend, Rory MacTavish, telling of the strange disappearance of some of his cattle, horses and finally a servant on the moors near his isolated castle home takes Orlando and Steve to the Highlands . . .

WE CAME AS SOON AS WE RECEIVED YOUR LETTER, RORY!
GLAD YOU WERE BOTH ABLE TO MAKE IT... MAYBE YOU CAN HELP ME GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS MYSTERY!

A LITTLE LATER, RORY IS FINISHING HIS STORY...

THERE'S NO LOGICAL EXPLANATION FOR THE DISAPPEARANCES OF MY LIVESTOCK OR MY SERVANT AND THE POLICE HAVE DRAWN A BLANK...
I SUGGEST YOU AND I MAKE A GOOD SEARCH OF THE SURROUNDING COUNTRYSIDE AND SEE WHAT WE COME UP WITH!

SO, THE FOLLOWING MORNING...


CANOE IS A GOOD WAY TO SEARCH THIS PART OF THE HIGHLANDS! THAT STREAM WINDS IT'S WAY THROUGH MOST OF THE AREA!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE REST OF YOUR SERVANTS, RORY! I'LL KEEP MY EYE ON 'EM AND MAKE SURE NOBODY DISAPPEARS!

AFTER A FEW HOURS THEY REACH A SECTION OF STREAM RORY HAS NEVER ENCOUNTERED BEFORE...

I'VE PASSED HERE MANY TIMES BUT I HADN'T REALISED THE STREAM FORKED AT THIS POINT.. THOSE REEDS ALMOST HIDE THE FACT!
WELL IF YOU'VE NEVER SPOTTED IT BEFORE...IT MIGHT BE WORTH INVESTIGATING!

SO THE TWO SEARCHERS PADDLE DOWN THE NEWLY DISCOVERED CHANNEL...

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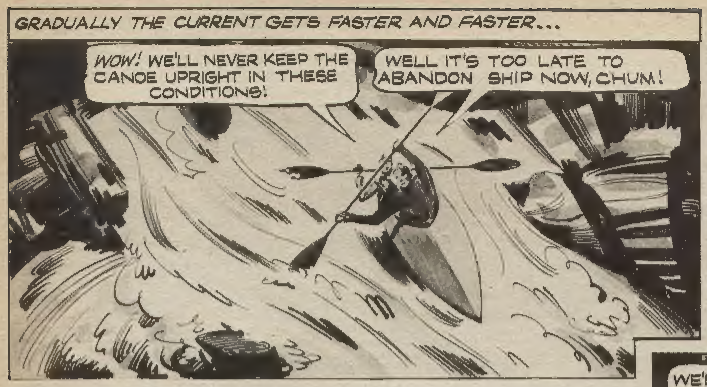
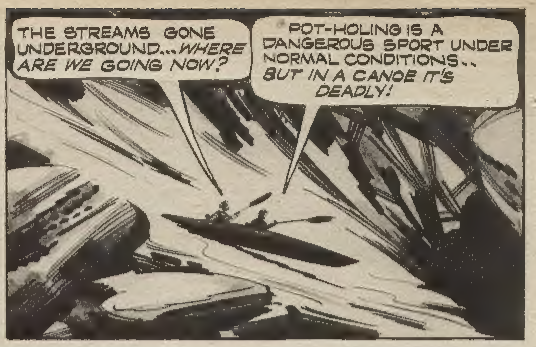
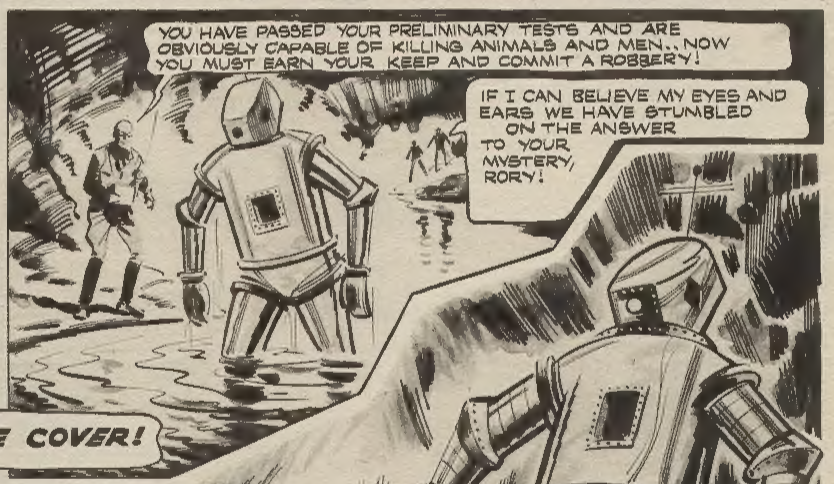
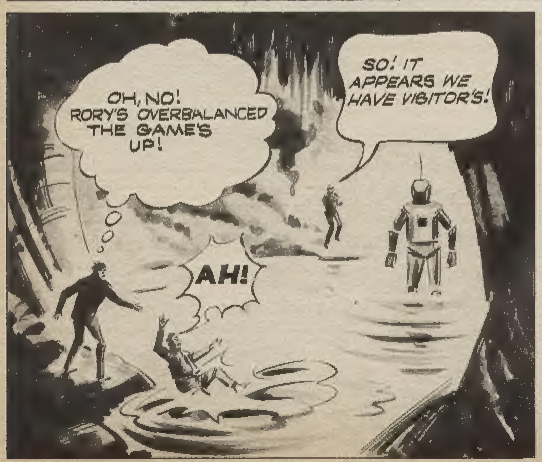
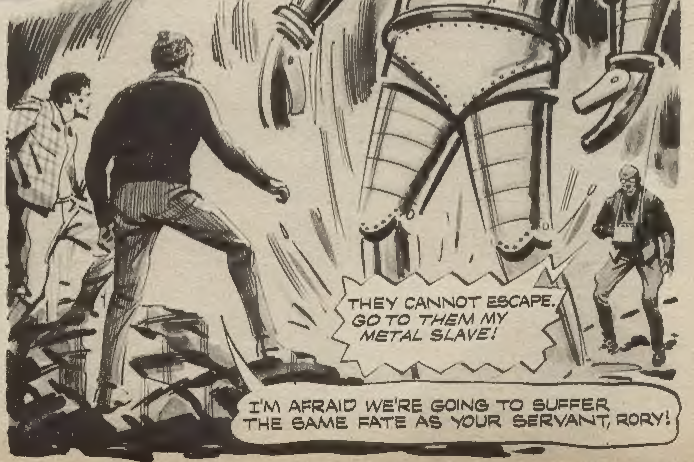

GRADUALLY THE CURRENT GETS FASTER AND FASTER...
WOW! WE'LL NEVER KEEP THE CANOE UPRIGHT IN THESE CONDITIONS!
WELL IT'S TOO LATE TO ABANDON SHIP NOW, CHUM!


THE STREAMS GONE UNDERGROUND... WHERE ARE WE GOING NOW?
POT-HOLING IS A DANGEROUS SPORT UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS... BUT IN A CANOE IT'S DEADLY!

WE'LL REST ON THIS LEDGE AND TRY TO FIGURE OUT A WAY OF GETTING OUT OF HERE!
I'LL BET NOBODY HAS BEEN HERE BEFORE! BUT FOR OUR CANOE ACCIDENT THIS PLACE WOULD HAVE REMAINED UNDISCOVERED FOR CENTURIES!


YOU HAVE PASSED YOUR PRELIMINARY TESTS AND ARE OBVIOUSLY CAPABLE OF KILLING ANIMALS AND MEN... NOW YOU MUST EARN YOUR KEEP AND COMMIT A ROBBERY!
IF I CAN BELIEVE MY EYES AND EARS WE HAVE STUMBLED ON THE ANSWER TO YOUR MYSTERY, RORY!
TAKE COVER!





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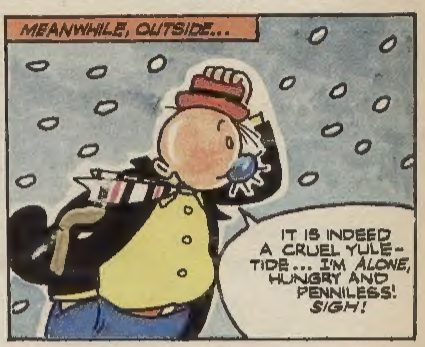

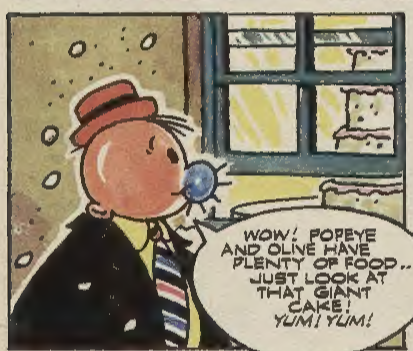

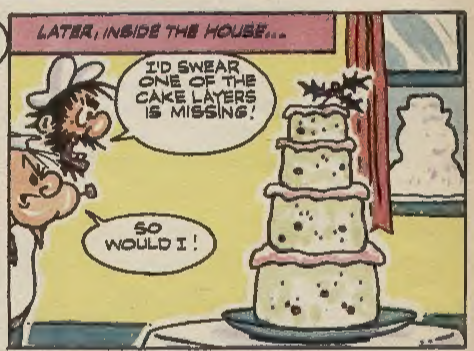

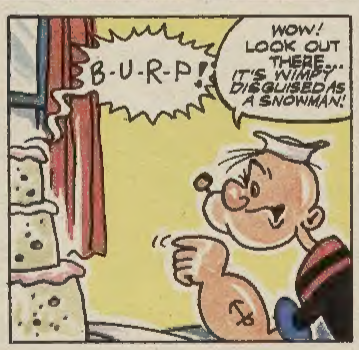

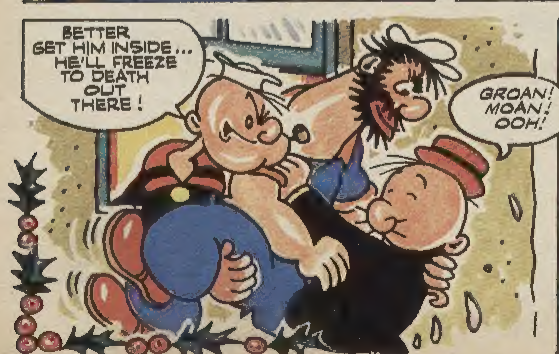

LATER...
OH, WELL, WIMPY! AT LEAST YOU'VE JOINED US FOR A CHRISTMAS FEAST!
YES! BUT I WISH I WERE EATING SOMETHING MORE PLEASANT THAN THIS THREE STOREY CAKE MADE FROM INDIGESTION PILLS! GROAN!
ARF! ARF!

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Popeye's New Year resolution is not to fight . . . See the fists fly next week!